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## Introduction

The first year of the 2005/2006 legislative session was once again overshadowed by California's fiscal deficit. Severe fiscal constraints meant that numerous proposals died in fiscal committees because of their potential cost to the State. Although California's economic situation has improved, the State's continuing deficit will affect policy decisions in the coming year. As we approach the second year of the session, the impact of potential budget cuts on programs and services for women and their families, particularly the underserved, will remain among the Commission's top priorities.

Our 2005 legislative agenda included 86 priority bills and resolutions. Of that number, we supported 76 measures and opposed 10. The Legislature sent 33 of our priority bills to the Governor. He signed 26 of those into law and vetoed seven. The Legislature also approved 14 of our priority resolutions (the Governor does not take action on these measures). Measures opposed by the Commission would have negatively impacted a woman's right to choose, access to public assistance under CalWORKs, the best interests of children in child custody disputes, and workplace anti-discrimination laws. None of these measures reached the Governor's desk.

Session highlights include the enactment of two key human trafficking measures, a major priority for the Commission. AB 22 (Lieber) and SB 180 (Kuehl) will help to ensure that California confronts the escalating crime of human trafficking in our State. Other important measures signed by the Governor address access to emergency contraception, medical care for pregnant inmates, sale of violent video games to minors, and gender equity in athletics.

During 2005, the Commission monitored approximately 300 bills for potential impact on California women and their families. This "Summary" highlights those bills that were signed into law by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. Most of these laws became effective on January 1, 2006. If indicated as an "urgency" measure, the bill generally becomes effective immediately upon the Governor's signature. Resolutions, which do not have the force of law, are assigned a chapter number by the Secretary of State when passed by the Legislature, but do not require the Governor's signature. The Commission's priority support measures are noted by an \*asterisk.

Bill histories, committee analyses and voting records on any of these measures can be obtained by visiting [www.leginfo.ca.gov](http://www.leginfo.ca.gov). For more information on the Commission contact us at 916-445-3173, or visit our website at [www.women.ca.gov](http://www.women.ca.gov).

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## **Child/Other Dependent Care**

**AB 179** Bermudez **Chapter 456**  
Residential care facilities for the elderly: elder abuse information

Directs all residential care facilities for the elderly to, among other things, include in the statement of residents rights information on reporting elder and dependent adult abuse.

**AB 363** Chu **Chapter 296**  
Child and Family Service Review System

Requires that counties provide information to the Legislature regarding their findings and recommendations for child welfare system improvements identified in county self-assessments and county system improvement plans. This bill will also create, to the extent that funds are appropriated in the annual Budget Act, a process for counties to apply for funds to implement their recommendations from the above processes.

**AB 519** Leno **Chapter 634**  
Parental rights

Allows the court to reinstate parental rights upon petition by a child or the child's attorney only if, after three years past the termination of parental rights, the child still has not been adopted, and reinstatement of parental rights is found to be in the best interests of the child.

**AB 776** Chu **Chapter 713**  
Child abuse reporting

Requires specified law enforcement agencies and county welfare departments that receive reports of suspected child abuse and neglect to keep a record of all reports received.

**AB 847** Berg **Chapter 315**  
Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly

Allows the Department of Health Services, the Department of Social Services, and the California Department of Aging to grant exemptions from existing regulations and licensing requirements to the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) programs in California.

**AB 1285** Montañez **Chapter 650**  
Child care services

Authorizes the County of Los Angeles to use funds allocated for the retention of child care employees for providers in licensed programs which serve a majority of children who receive subsidized child care services, including, but not limited to, family day care homes.

**SB 116 \*** Dutton  
Child abandonment: newborns

**Chapter 625**

Eliminates the sunset date of the “Safely Surrendered Baby Law”, which allows a parent to surrender his or her baby to local safety offices without fear of criminal prosecution. The measure extends the provisions indefinitely.

**SB 141** Soto  
Residential care facilities: preadmission fee refunds

**Chapter 250**

Establishes a refund policy in state law for any preadmission fees paid by a new resident of a facility licensed as a residential care facility for the elderly.

**SB 218** Scott  
Termination of parental rights: prospective adoptive parents

**Chapter 626**

Authorizes a court to designate a current caretaker as a prospective adoptive parent if the child has lived with the caretaker for at least 6 months, the caretaker has expressed a commitment to adopt the child, and the caretaker has taken at least one step to facilitate the adoption. Further, specifies conditions for removal when it is found to be in the best interests of the child.

**SB 358** Scott  
Child care

**Chapter 628**

Allows foster parents to choose a babysitter for their foster children as they would their own children by eliminating the requirement that short term babysitters be fingerprinted and have had a health screening.

**SB 436** Migden  
Foster care: transitional housing

**Chapter 629**

Provides a safety net and increases the amount of housing available for pregnant and parenting foster youth by requiring counties to create a plan for meeting any unmet transitional housing needs of emancipating pregnant or parenting foster youth.

**SB 500 \*** Kuehl  
AFDC-FC: pregnant and parenting foster youth

**Chapter 630**

Expands the availability of foster family homes for teens and their children by providing placement in a whole family foster home where teen parents develop the skills necessary to provide a safe, stable, and permanent home for their children.

**SB 527** Alquist  
Redevelopment: senior housing

**Chapter 262**

Adjusts the calculation for determining redevelopment agency spending on low-income senior housing to the proportion of low-income seniors are represented in the overall low-income population.

**SB 640 \*** Escutia

**Chapter 379**

Child care resource and referral programs: funding

Provides additional funding to provide training and technical assistance to child care providers in identifying and caring for children with disabilities or at high risk for developing disabilities.

**SB 701** Migden

**Chapter 725**

Child care subsidies: City and County of San Francisco: pilot project

Creates a five-year child care subsidy pilot project in the City and County of San Francisco, utilizing existing child care funds, to address the particular child care needs and barriers of low-income families in a high cost county.

## **Economic Security**

**AB 824** Chu

**Chapter 636**

AFDC-FC benefits: transitional housing

Raises the age limit of youth who can access Transitional Housing Program services to 24 (instead of 21).

**AB 1743** Committee On Judiciary

**Chapter 198**

Child support

Clarifies and expands the family reunification-child support compromise program for foster care cases. Expansion includes cases involving CalWORKs payments to a caretaker relative, as specified, Kin-GAP payments, and other specified aid.

**SB 112** Ortiz

**Chapter 492**

Refugee social services

Amends the funding formula used to divide federal funds among counties for refugee social services, based on the length of time refugees have resided in the United States.

**SB 1018** Simitian

**Chapter 140**

Elder and dependent adult abuse

Enacts the Financial Elder Abuse Reporting Act of 2005. Starting January 1, 2007 to January 1, 2013, makes all officers and employees of banks, federal and state credit unions and their affiliates who suspect financial elder or dependent adult abuse, as specified, mandated reporters of suspected financial abuse of elders and dependent adults. Failure to report could result in civil penalties.



**SB 1082**           Morrow  
Child support: military reservists

***Chapter 154***

Provides for expedited modification of child custody, visitation and support obligations for active duty military personnel, under specified circumstances.

**SJR 7 \***           Bowen  
Equal Pay Day

***Resolution Chapter 35***

Proclaims April 19, 2005 as Equal Pay Day in California and urges Congress to protect the right of all American women to receive equal pay for equal work, and to continue to provide effective remedies to victims of discrimination on the basis of sex in the payment of wages.

## **Education**

**AB 322 \***           Oropeza  
Athletes' Bill of Rights

***Chapter 386***

Enacts the "Athletes' Bill of Rights" and specifies a student's rights relating to gender equity in athletics; also requires the State Department of Education to post the "Bill of Rights" on its website by July 1, 2006.

**AB 702**           Koretz  
Nursing education

***Chapter 611***

Provides authority to the Health Professions Education Foundation to expand the criteria for scholarship and loan repayment programs in the Registered Nurse Education Program for students who are seeking a master's or doctoral degree in nursing and commit to teach nursing in a California nursing school for 5 years.

**AB 1280**           Maze  
Public postsecondary education: California Community College Baccalaureate Partnership Program

***Chapter 515***

Establishes the California Community College Baccalaureate Partnership Program. This program authorizes the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to annually award up to two grants of not more than \$50,000, as specified, for the purpose of offering baccalaureate degree programs on community college campuses.

**ACR 48 \***           Goldberg  
Girl Scouts

***Resolution Chapter 56***

Commends the Girl Scouts for 93 years of service and for inspiring millions of girls with the highest ideals of character, conduct, and patriotism.

**ACR 74 \***

Saldaña

**Resolution Chapter 133**

Title IX: 33rd anniversary of its enactment and California schools' athletics policies

Commemorates the 33rd anniversary of the enactment of Title IX and urges California colleges and universities to refrain from relying on a single survey for determination of compliance.

**Employment****AB 124**

Dymally

**Chapter 644**

Civil service: equal opportunity programs

Clarifies current equal employment opportunity (EEO) requirements and clearly expresses the state's equal employment opportunity and non-discrimination policy in statute, thereby reinforcing the importance of this policy.

**AB 1669**

Chu

**Chapter 642**

Employment: discrimination

Provides employed minors the right to file an employment discrimination complaint with the Department of Fair Employment and Housing for up to one year after they turn 18.

**Equality****AB 42**

Nuñez

**Chapter 6**

Secretary of State and State Archives Building Complex: museum

Creates the California Museum for History, Women and the Arts, a nonprofit historical and cultural institution dedicated to telling the complete history of California, including the stories of California's women.

**AB 1400 \***

Laird

**Chapter 420**

Civil Rights Act

Amends the Unruh Civil Rights Act to clarify and confirm that it prohibits discrimination by business establishments, regardless of one's sexual orientation or marital status.

**ACR 9 \***

Oropeza

**Resolution Chapter 7**

California Girls and Women in Sports Day

Commemorates the accomplishments of female athletes, coaches, officials and sports administrators for their important contribution in promoting the value of sports participation in the achievement of full human potential and proclaims February 9, 2005 as California Women in Sports Day.

**ACR 10** Chu  
Day of Remembrance

***Resolution Chapter 8***

Declares February 19, 2005 as a Day of Remembrance in order to increase public awareness of the events surrounding the internment of Americans of Japanese ancestry during World War II.

**ACR 40 \*** Lieber  
League of Women Voters' 85th Anniversary

***Resolution Chapter 55***

Recognizes the origins and accomplishments of the League of Women Voters, and memorializes the 85th anniversary of that organization.

**ACR 59** Baca  
California Native American History Month

***Resolution Chapter 114***

Recognizes the month of November 2005 as California Native American Indian History Month.

**ACR 62** Nakanishi  
Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month

***Resolution Chapter 47***

Commends Asian and Pacific Islander Americans for their notable accomplishments and outstanding service to the state and recognizes May 2005 as Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

**AJR 30 \*** Liu  
Women's Equality Day

***Resolution Chapter 145***

Requests the Congress and the President of the United States to uphold protections of women's equality and to encourage all Americans to participate in the celebration of Women's Equality Day on August 26, 2005, the 85th anniversary of the passage of the Nineteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, which gave women the right to vote.

**SB 973** Kuehl  
Public employees' retirement: domestic partners

***Chapter 418***

Amends the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), the State Teachers Retirement System (STRS), and the County Employees Retirement Act of 1937 to entitle retired members to elect to change optional retirement allowances to provide for their domestic partners.

**SCR 22** Battin  
California Hispanic Heritage Month

***Resolution Chapter 75***

Proclaims September 15<sup>th</sup> to October 15<sup>th</sup> as California Hispanic Heritage Month, encouraging all Californians to observe this event in communities throughout the state.

## **Family Law**

**AJR 17** Jones  
Child support penalties

### ***Resolution Chapter 118***

Requests Congress to enact the Child Support Reinvestment Act of 2005 which would revise the method used to assess federal penalties imposed for the failure of a state to fully implement a certified statewide child support automation system.

**SB 302** Scott  
Adoption

### ***Chapter 627***

Authorizes, in a stepparent adoption, the consent of either or both birth parents to be signed in the presence of a notary public.

**SB 726** Florez  
Dependent children

### ***Chapter 632***

Creates "Adam's Law" to emphasize to foster parents the importance of providing courts with information to determine whether a noncustodial parent is an appropriate placement for a foster child.

**SB 1088 \*** Bowen  
Family law: motions and orders.

### ***Chapter 489***

Prohibits, with certain exceptions, ex parte communications between court-appointed or court-connected mediators or evaluators with the court or with any person or that person's attorney involved in a child custody dispute.

## **Healthcare Access**

**AB 8** Chu  
Medi-Cal: AIDS and cancer treatment drugs: manufacturer rebates

### ***Chapter 127***

Removes the sunset date from existing law, thereby extending indefinitely the requirement that pharmaceutical manufacturers provide a state rebate for HIV-AIDS and cancer drugs added to the Medi-Cal list of contract drugs and reimbursed through the Medi-Cal outpatient fee-for-service program.

**AB 228** Koretz  
Transplantation services: human immunodeficiency virus

### ***Chapter 419***

Prohibits health care service plans and insurers from denying coverage for the costs of solid organ or other tissue transplantation based upon the patient's HIV status if the procedure is otherwise available under the policy or plan contract and the patient is deemed to be an acceptable transplant candidate by the attending physician and surgeon.

**AB 258** Matthews  
Medi-Cal: durable medical equipment

**Chapter 523**

Requires a medical examination and completion of a certificate of medical necessity, developed by the Department of Health Services, before prescribing a motorized wheel chair or scooter for a Medi-Cal beneficiary.

**AB 306** Baca  
Military service: benefits

**Chapter 291**

Enacts various financial protections for service members called to active duty, as a result of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

**AB 356** Chan  
Health care coverage: rating and underwriting criteria

**Chapter 526**

Requires disclosure by insurers of an individual's health coverage options, and requires disclosure of the reasons that an individual may be denied for "pre-existing conditions."

**AB 405** Montañez  
Schools: pesticide use

**Chapter 566**

Prohibits the use at a school of pesticides that do not have full registration or testing from specified state agencies.

**AB 794** Chu  
Health care funding: aliens: Access for Infants and Mothers Program (AIM)

**Chapter 23**

Permits the Department of Health Services (DHS) and the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board (MRMIB) to accept or use federal moneys allocated under the State Children's Health Insurance Program (S-CHIP) to fund specified services to women under the Medi-Cal and Access for Infants and Mothers Program (AIM) programs.

**AB 819** Ridley-Thomas  
Taxpayer contributions: California Colorectal Cancer Prevention Fund

**Chapter 697**

Authorizes the addition of the California Colorectal Cancer Prevention Fund income tax checkoff to the personal income tax form upon the removal of another income tax checkoff from the form.

**AB 929** Oropeza  
Radiologic technology: radiation exposure

**Chapter 427**

Requires the Department of Health Services to establish quality assurance standards for all radiological equipment in California to ensure that the lowest possible dose of radiation is used without sacrificing imaging quality.

**AB 1045** Frommer  
Payers' Bill of Rights: procedure charges

***Chapter 532***

Clarifies existing law by requiring that charges for the 25 most common inpatient hospital procedures and the 25 most common outpatient procedures be made public.

**AB 1142** Dymally  
HIV/AIDS: African-Americans: statewide initiative

***Chapter 403***

Establishes the Statewide African-American Initiative to address the disproportionate impact of HIV/AIDS on the health of African-Americans by coordinating prevention and service networks around the state and increasing the capacity of core service providers. Implementation of specified requirements depends on sufficient non-state funds being available.

**AB 1359** Chan  
Prescription drug plans

***Chapter 230***

Requires a sponsor of a prescription drug plan authorized by the federal Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 in this state to be licensed as a health care service plan or as a life and disability insurer. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**AB 1533** Bass  
Health care coverage

***Chapter 542***

Permits an individual who has lost or will lose Healthy Families coverage as a result of exceeding the program's income or age limits to enroll in health insurance coverage without being considered a late enrollee.

**AB 1586 \*** Koretz  
Insurers: health care service plans: discrimination

***Chapter 421***

Adds language to current anti-discrimination provisions of the Health and Safety Code and the Insurance Code to prohibit discrimination against transgendered individuals by insurers and health care service plans.

**ACR 1** Negrete McLeod  
Proposition 71: stem cell research

***Resolution Chapter 128***

Urges the Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee established pursuant to Proposition 71, the California Stem Cell Research and Cures Act, to adopt conflict-of-interest standards for itself and for the members of its working groups before awarding loans, grants, and contracts.

**ACR 36 \*** Berg  
Breast Cancer Awareness and Prevention Month

***Resolution Chapter 112***

Proclaims the month of October 2005 as "Breast Cancer Awareness and Prevention Month."

**ACR 44** Baca  
Minority Health Awareness Month

***Resolution Chapter 48***

Proclaims August of each year as Minority Health Awareness Month.

**SB 12** Escutia  
School food nutrition

***Chapter 235***

Prohibits the sale of certain beverages and food items at elementary schools as specified.

**SB 35** Florez  
California Children and Families Program

***Chapter 243***

Expands auditing requirements under the California Children and Families Act of 1998 (Proposition 10).

**SB 104** Ortiz  
Public health orders: enforcement

***Chapter 478***

Permits a peace officer to enforce a Department of Health Services (DHS) and local health officer order to prevent the spread of contagious, infectious, or communicable disease.

**SB 367** Speier  
Health care complaint system

***Chapter 723***

Enacts the Patient and Provider Protection Act and revises the way complaints from providers are handled by the Department of Insurance.

**SB 377** Ortiz  
Medi-Cal: dental services

***Chapter 643***

Requires the Department of Health Services to inform Denti-Cal and other Medi-Cal providers that prevention and treatment of dental and periodontal disease is a covered benefit for all pregnant beneficiaries.

**SB 484 \*** Migden  
Cosmetics: chronic health effects

**Chapter 729**

Establishes the California Safe Cosmetics Act of 2005. Requires manufacturers of cosmetics manufactured and distributed in California, and who are subject to regulation by the U.S. Food & Drug Administration, to provide the State Department of Health Services with a list of their products that contain ingredients identified as causing cancer or reproductive toxicity.

**SB 614 \*** Figueroa  
Certified nurse-midwives

**Chapter 266**

Allows Certified Nurse Midwives to furnish or order Schedule II drugs for patients on an outpatient basis.

**SB 615 \*** Figueroa  
Cervical cancer

**Chapter 550**

Expands the scope of the Cervical Cancer Awareness Campaign to include provider education aimed at raising awareness around the human papillomavirus (HPV) and its link to cervical cancer.

**SB 643** Chesbro  
Nursing facilities

**Chapter 551**

Authorizes the Department of Health Services (DHS) to seek an expansion of home- and community-based waivers in order to enable additional nursing facility residents to transition into the community. Implementation is contingent on federal financial participation and must demonstrate fiscal neutrality within the overall DHS budget.

**SB 965** Escutia  
Pupil nutrition: beverages

**Chapter 237**

Extends to high schools, on a phased-in basis beginning July 1, 2007, current restrictions imposed on K-8 pupils relating to the sale of certain beverages.

**SCR 9 \*** Kehoe  
American Heart Month

**Resolution Chapter 2**

Recognizes the month of February 2005 as American Health Month in California to raise awareness of the effect of heart disease on women. Additionally, recognizes February 4, 2005 as Wear Red for Women Day in California urging all citizens to become aware of the vital issues of women's heart health by wearing and displaying the color red that day.



**SJR 17** Ortiz  
Stem cell research

***Resolution Chapter 109***

Requests Congress and the President of the United States to take specified actions regarding stem cell research and to prohibit human cloning.

**Reproductive Health**

**AB 77** Frommer  
Medi-Cal: clinics: reimbursement

***Chapter 503***

Revises the pharmaceutical goods and services reimbursement and billing formula for federally qualified health centers and rural health clinics.

**AJR 3 \*** Cohn  
Reproductive rights: Roe v. Wade

***Resolution Chapter 83***

Requests the Congress and the President of the United States to protect and uphold the intent and substance of the United States Supreme Court decision in Roe v. Wade.

**SB 644 \*** Ortiz  
Dispensing prescription drugs and devices

***Chapter 417***

Establishes a pharmacist's duty to fill lawful prescriptions; protects both the patient's right to a lawful prescription and the pharmacist's right to exercise his or her religious and moral beliefs by requiring the establishment of protocols by the pharmacist's employer should he or she choose to exercise that right.

**Violence**

**AB 22 \*** Lieber  
Trafficking in persons

***Chapter 240***

Establishes the crime of human trafficking for forced labor or services and the crime of trafficking of a minor, both punishable as a felony. Provides civil remedies and social services for victims, and creates the California Anti-Trafficking Task Force to study and advise the Legislature on issues around human trafficking.

**AB 33** Runner, Sharon  
Contact with minor

***Chapter 461***

Makes the luring of children 14 and younger (increased from 12) illegal and enhances penalties for doing so.

**AB 70 \*** Maze  
Vehicles: license plates: rape victims

***Chapter 60***

Requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to provide a new set of license plates to victims of rape or sexual assault immediately upon showing they are the registered owner of the vehicle, paying a standard fee for duplicate plates, and documenting their victimization.

**AB 99 \*** Cohn  
Protective orders: expiration

***Chapter 125***

Provides that domestic violence protective orders (DVROs) may have a duration of not more than 5 instead of the current 3 years, and may be renewed for either 5 years or on a permanent basis.

**AB 102** Cohn  
Parole: High-risk sex offenders

***Chapter 55***

Repeals the July 1, 2006 sunset in Section 3005 of the Penal Code, concerning intensive parole supervision for specified high-risk parolees, and removes language in the statute requiring reports to the Legislature.

**AB 112** Cohn  
Protective orders: enforcement priority

***Chapter 132***

Provides that emergency protective orders issued pursuant to either the Family Code or the Penal Code have precedence in enforcement over any other restraining or protective order.

**AB 113** Cohn  
Parole placement

***Chapter 463***

Prohibits certain sex offender parolees, determined to be high risk by the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, from being placed or residing for the duration of their parole within one-half mile of any public or private school, kindergarten through 12th grade, inclusive.

**AB 114** Cohn  
Child abuse

***Chapter 464***

Allows in a criminal prosecution of child abuse for evidence of a defendant's prior acts of child abuse to be admitted to prove the defendant's conduct, as specified.

**AB 118** Cohn  
Protective orders: minor children

***Chapter 465***

Ensures that custody and visitation orders are consistent with pre-existing criminal protective orders.

**AB 190**                      Negrete McLeod                      **Chapter 160**  
Taxpayer contributions: California Sexual Violence Victim Services Fund

Establishes the California Sexual Violence Victim Services Fund and allows taxpayers to voluntarily designate their own funds on their personal income tax returns to the Sexual Violence Victim Services Fund. The voluntary contribution designation for this fund may not be added to the tax return until another voluntary contribution designation is removed from that return.

**AB 217**                      Vargas                      **Chapter 466**  
Sex offenders: nursing facilities

Requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Department of Mental Health, or any other official in charge of a place of confinement, to notify a long-term care facility prior to the release of a sex offender into the facility.

**AB 220 \***                      Committee on Public Safety                      **Chapter 215**  
Domestic violence

Changes current references in the Penal Code, Family Code, and the Code of Civil Procedure from “battered women’s syndrome” to “intimate partner battering”.

**AB 378 \***                      Chu                      **Chapter 123**  
Statute of limitation: protected classes

Extends the statute of limitations from 1 year to 3 years during which time victims of hate crimes can file an action for civil damages.

**AB 429 \***                      Chu                      **Chapter 467**  
Temporary restraining orders and protective orders

Extends current law enforcement standards for verifying and verbally serving protective orders to also include workplace violence orders.

**AB 437**                      Parra                      **Chapter 721**  
Sex offenders: Megan's Law: convictions

Authorizes the Department of Justice (DOJ) to include conviction and release from incarceration dates on the Megan’s Law Internet web site if sufficient funding is available and the DOJ has access to complete and accurate information in this regard, as specified.

**AB 439**                      Parra                      **Chapter 704**  
Registered sex offenders: dismissals of convictions: residence changes

Changes notification procedures for a registered sex offender who is moving, imposes additional requirements on transient registrants, and addresses registrants that live in multiple residences, among other changes.

**AB 893** Horton, Shirley  
Sex offenders: community placement

**Chapter 162**

Requires the State Department of Mental Health and the Department of Justice, when proposing a placement for a sexually violent predator, to give serious consideration to the age and profile of the parolee's victims.

**AB 978 \*** Runner, Sharon  
Restraining orders: stalking

**Chapter 472**

Prohibits parties enjoined under specified protective orders from taking any action to obtain the address or location of protected parties or a member of their family, a caretaker, or guardian, unless the court rules otherwise.

**AB 998** Chu  
Reporting: sexual assaults: medical exams

**Chapter 133**

Requires a health practitioner to make a report to law enforcement when providing medical services to a person in custody from whom evidence is sought in connection with the investigation of a sexual assault crime.

**AB 1088** Oropeza  
Public postsecondary education: mandatory orientation for students

**Chapter 647**

Requires the governing board of each community college district and the Trustees of the California State University, and requests the Regents of the University of California, to provide educational and preventive information about sexual violence to students.

**AB 1179 \*** Yee  
Violent video games: sales to minors

**Chapter 638**

Requires violent video games to be labeled as such and prohibits the sale or rental of such games to minors. Violators shall be liable in an amount up to \$1,000 for each violation.

**AB 1188** Wolk  
Abuse: reporting

**Chapter 163**

Increases the penalty from an infraction to a misdemeanor for a supervisor or administrator who impedes or inhibits a mandated reporter from reporting child, elder, or dependent abuse. Punishment includes imprisonment in the county jail for up to 6 months, a fine of up to \$1,000, or both.

**AB 1288** Chu  
Court orders

**Chapter 702**

Provides that if a court orders a protective order in a domestic violence case, the order shall prohibit the defendant from purchasing a firearm and require the defendant to relinquish any firearms in his or her possession.

**AB 1323** Vargas  
Registered sex offenders

***Chapter 722***

Updates provisions of "Megan's Law" in order to conform to newly enacted provisions which require the Department of Justice to post sex offender registration information on the Internet.

**AB 1712** Hancock  
Domestic violence

***Chapter 545***

Authorizes the City of Berkeley to increase fees for copies of specified records in order to assist in domestic violence prevention.

**ACR 2 \*** Cohn  
Domestic Violence Awareness Month

***Resolution Chapter 110***

Proclaims the month of October 2005 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

**ACR 8** Dymally  
Elder and dependent adult abuse

***Resolution Chapter 28***

Proclaims the month of May this year and every year thereafter as Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month.

**ACR 33 \*** Lieber  
Joint Committee on Human Trafficking in California

***Resolution Chapter 91***

Establishes the Joint Committee on Human Trafficking in California, to study and investigate issues relating to human trafficking.

**SB 33 \*** Battin  
Child sexual abuse

***Chapter 477***

Amends existing law to prohibit the practice of allowing intra-familial offenders who sexually molest their own children to receive therapy and probation rather than a prison sentence.

**SB 111 \*** Alquist  
Statute of limitations: sex crimes

***Chapter 479***

Extends the statute of limitations in cases of child sexual abuse, by providing that prosecution for certain felony sex offenses alleged to have been committed when the victim was under 18 may be commenced any time prior to his or her 30<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**SB 138**                      Maldonado  
Criminal procedure: closed-circuit testimony

***Chapter 480***

Expands the use of testimony by closed-circuit television of child victims of sex offenses and violent felonies to also provide for its use in child abuse cases. Changes standards for the use of closed-circuit television.

**SB 180 \***                      Kuehl  
Human trafficking

***Chapter 239***

Establishes the California Alliance to Combat Trafficking and Slavery (California ACTS) Task Force to study and advise the Legislature on certain aspects of human trafficking. Requires the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) to develop a course of training for peace officers relating to human trafficking.

**SB 383**                      Maldonado  
State Department of Mental Health: sexually violent predators

***Chapter 137***

Authorizes the Department of Mental Health to enter into an inter-agency agreement or contract with the Department of Corrections and local law enforcement agencies to assist in the supervision and monitoring of sexually violent predators who have been conditionally released into the community.

**SB 594**                      Torlakson  
Custody and visitation: sex offenders

***Chapter 483***

Expands the prohibition against allowing custody or visitation to a registered sex offender to include individuals who reside with registered sex offenders.

**SB 720 \***                      Kuehl  
Court orders

***Chapter 631***

Implements various recommendations of the Attorney General's Task Force on the Criminal Justice Response to Domestic Violence to better protect victims of intimate partner violence, including requiring any attorney's fees and costs ordered against a party in contempt of a protective order to be paid to the Office of Emergency Services for purposes of funding domestic violence shelters.

**SB 972**                      Poochigian  
Crime victims: restitution

***Chapter 238***

Allows the court to specify that funds confiscated at the time of an arrest may be applied to restitution fines and to restitution orders if the funds are not exempt for spousal or child support or subject to any other legal exemption.

**SCR 13 \*** Battin  
Child Abuse Prevention Month

***Resolution Chapter 16***

Acknowledges the month of April 2005 as Child Abuse Prevention Month, encouraging the people of the State of California to work together to support youth-serving child abuse prevention activities in their communities and schools.

**SCR 39 \*** Alquist  
Sexual Assault Awareness Month

***Resolution Chapter 41***

Proclaims that the month of April be designated henceforth as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

## **Women in Prison**

**AB 478 \*** Lieber  
Female inmates and wards

***Chapter 608***

Sets minimum standards for the medical care of pregnant inmates who are not eligible for community treatment programs; requires community treatment programs to provide eligible participants with prenatal care, access to prenatal vitamins, childbirth education, and infant care; and prohibits the practice of shackling pregnant inmates during labor and delivery.

**AB 550 \*** Goldberg  
Institutions: sexual abuse

***Chapter 303***

Creates the Sexual Abuse in Detention Elimination Act to protect all inmates from sexual abuse while incarcerated in institutions operated by the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

**AB 760 \*** Nava  
Criminal procedure

***Chapter 635***

Allows, during booking, an arrested custodial parent of minor children to make 2 telephone calls at no expense for purposes of arranging care for their children.

**SB 159** Runner  
Inmates: health care services

***Chapter 481***

Authorizes county sheriffs, chiefs of police, and directors or administrators of local departments of correction to contract with healthcare service providers for emergency services.

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